

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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wherein Q represents an imidazole; Y₁ represents a divalent interlocking group or a bonding hand; Y₂ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group; n represents an integer of from 2 to 20; m represents an integer of from 2 to 5; X⁻ represents an anion; plural Y₁'s and plural Y₂'s may be the same or different, respectively, with the proviso that at least one of Y₂'s has a polymerizable substituent group; and a plurality of the compounds of the general formula (I) may be connected to each other at Q or Y₂ to form a dimer, trimer or tetramer.
